



What's New at the Alternative Fuels Data Center? April 2005

Listed below are new publications and other information made available in April through the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) Alternative Fuels Data Center (AFDC). The AFDC is sponsored by Clean Cities in the Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE), and is managed by the National Renewable Energy Laboratory. For more information, or if you would like to subscribe to this monthly update, contact Wendy Dafoe at wendy_dafoe@nrel.gov, 303-275-4470.

This update is posted on the Web at www.eere.energy.gov/cleancities/toolbox/current_cutting.html.

Second *Clean Cities Now* to Announce National Partners

The second issue of *Clean Cities Now* will be here soon! The newsletter, which will go live the week of the Clean Cities Conference, will feature the winners of both the **National Partner Awards** and the **Coalition Awards**. Remember to check it out at www.eere.energy.gov/cleancities/ccn/.

To receive email notifications each time a new issue of Clean Cities Now is available subscribe today at www.eere.energy.gov/cleancities/ccn/subscribe.html.

11th Annual Clean Cities Conference & Exposition

The **Clean Cities Conference** is just around the corner! Don't forget to visit the Exposition — there will be lots of great exhibitors. For all the latest conference info, go to www.afvi.org/palmsprings/.

DOE will have three booths: the Clean Cities Program, EPA's Regulated Fleet Initiatives, and the FreedomCAR and Vehicle Technologies Program. We'll be debuting a lot of new publications at the conference, so be sure to stop by, say hello, and pick up copies.

Publications

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The **FY 2004 Progress Report for the DOE Hydrogen Program** is now available on the AFDC website. The document, which summarizes the hydrogen and fuel cell R&D activities and accomplishments of FY 2004, is available as individual technical report PDFs. Check it out at www.eere.energy.gov/hydrogenandfuelcells/annual_report04.html.

Websites

EPA recently launched the **Clean Energy-Environment State Partnership Program** to help states develop cost-effective, environmentally beneficial clean energy strategies. Under the voluntary program, states agree to work with EPA to develop and implement a State Action Plan. In return, EPA provides Partner States with comprehensive technical assistance packages. For more information, check out their new site dedicated to this program at www.epa.gov/cleanenergy/stateandlocal/partners.htm.

The recently launched **E85 Toolkit website** is receiving a lot of traffic. The site is full of useful information regarding E85 fuel, fueling options, equipment and processes, vehicles, risk management, success stories, contacts, and publications. There is also a popular Bulletin Board feature to answer any questions you may still have after searching the site. Check it out at www.eere.energy.gov/afdc/e85toolkit/.

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News

CNNMoney.com reported on April 11 that the high demand and long wait time for a new Toyota Prius is allowing some owners to sell their used Priuses for more than they originally paid for them. Check out the article, "**Used Prius Prices Like New**," at money.cnn.com/2005/04/11/Autos/used_prius/index.htm